



TUCSON-PIMA COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Task Force on Inclusivity Regarding the Naming of City- and County-Owned Buildings and Properties

Friday, July 24, 2020, 1:00 p.m.

via Conference Call

Minutes

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Meeting called to order by Chair Otero at 1:07 p.m. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Sandee Brooke
Jerrie Jean Lamb
Jennifer Levstik
Lydia Otero (Chair)
Rikki Riojas
Alyce Sadongei

Members Absent:

Josephine Hilliard

Guests Present:

Teresita Majewski (TPCHC Chair)

2. Introductions

All present briefly introduced themselves. No action taken.

3. Discussion Regarding the Charge of the Task Force

The task force had preliminary discussions about the charge of the task force and decided to continue discussion at the next meeting. All agreed that the issues of inclusivity and diversity as they pertain to naming city and county buildings and properties should be a fundamental priority for the TPCHC.

4. Types of Information or Assistance Needed (and from Where/Whom)

- (a) Task force members agreed that the TPCHC should prioritize Tucson's Birthplace/Tucson Origins Heritage Park acquiring city Historic Landmark Status. It was also agreed that this should be a standing item on monthly TPCHC full commission meeting agendas, beginning with the August 2020 meeting, with a report given by City of Tucson Historic Preservation Officer Jodie Brown regarding its progress (or roadblocks that need attention) each month. TPCHC Chair Terry Majewski will add this to the August 2020 agenda.
- (b) The task force needs to evaluate the names assigned to City and County properties and is going to request the following information from Jodie Brown and Linda Mayro (Director, Pima County Sustainability ~ Conservation ~ Historic Preservation): What properties do they own? What are these properties called (formal vs. informal names)? The task force also will request information on type of property, the location (address), and historical age.

5. Revisiting the Naming Process

The task force discussed the criteria and the naming process. It also reviewed the Administrative Directive issued by the City Manager on January 8, 2020, entitled "Commemorative Naming of City-Owned Physical Assets." This document will be provided to all TPCHC commissioners at the August 2020 meeting (as a part of the task force's monthly report) so that they are aware of this document and to request their feedback.

6. Task Assignments and Draft Calender

Jennifer Levstik will request the information from Jodie Brown and Linda Mayro, respectively, regarding city and county properties, in the hope that this information will be available prior to the next task force meeting. Terry Majewski will invite Jodie and Linda to the next task force meeting to talk about the naming process from their perspective.

7. Schedule Upcoming Meeting(s)

The task force agreed that the following dates and times were available for the next meeting: August 19 at 1:00 p.m. or August 20 between 12 and 3 p.m. The next meeting will be held virtually, likely via Zoom.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Note: No public comments were received prior to the meeting.